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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	Lixiao Wang	Confirmation No.:	1834
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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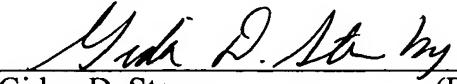
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Final Office Action dated April 14, 2005 be extended for a period of three (3) months from July 14, 2005, to and including, October 14, 2005.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$1,020.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

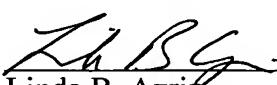
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